(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Due to operational and resource constraints.

Saraigarh-Bhapatiyahi-Nirmli rail line

†1316. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a provision of necessary fund was made in the Budget for the years 2003-04 and 2004-05 for new broad gauge rail line upto Saraigarh-Bhapatiyahi-Nirmli and two kilometre long Kosi bridge in Bihar;

(b) whether it is a fact that the provision for the outlay of about Rs. 30 crore was also made in the budget for the year of 2006-07 for the above work; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) and (b) Yes Sir.

(c) The work of construction of Kosi bridge along with linked lines has been taken up at an anticipated cost of Rs. 341.41 crore. Final location survey, geo-technical investigation and hydraulic model study has been completed. Land acquisition, earthwork and substructure work of main bridge has been taken up.

Dhauladhar Express

1317. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Dhauladhar Express from Delhi to Jammuu *via* Chakki has recently been started on the request of people of the Himachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether any seats in all classes have been reserved exclusively for people of the Himachal Pradesh who are to travel by this train; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.